in the activities of communal harmony and national integration;

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUAMRI MAMATA BANERJEE). (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be placed on the table of the House

[*Translation*]

Accidents on Western and Northern Railways

5384 SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA. Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rail accidents on the Western and Northern Railways during the last three years; and

(b) the total loss of life and damage to property as a result thereof during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Year-wise position of rail accidents, number of persons killed and cost of damage to railway property on Northern and Western Railways during the last three years is as under –

	Northern			*Western*		
	1988-89	*1989-90*	*1990-91*	*1988-89*	*1989-90*	*1990-91*
No. of accidents	81	70	60	59	54	49
No. of persons killed	13	38	20	15	67	26
Cost of damage to railway property (Rs. in lakhs)	118.91	414.01	507.07	27.20	28.88	436.88

[*English*]

Homoeopathy Pharmacy Council

5385. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 191 on August 22, 1991 and state:

(a) whether Homoeopathy Pharmacy Council has been formed,

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay;

(c) whether the Pharmacy Council of India has been entrusted with the work of introducing Diploma in Pharmacy Course for Homoeopathic Pharmacists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government do not propose to set up a Homoeopathy Pharmacy Council at present.

(c) and (d). This matter was taken up with the Pharmacy Council of India whose reply is awaited.

Working of Central Universities

5386. DR Y S. RAJASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the recommendations made on the working of the Central Universities submitted in 1984;

(b) the number of recommendations accepted and implemented out of them; and

(c) the reasons for not accepting the rest of the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) The University Grants Commission had appointed a Committee in January, 1982 under the Chairmanship of Dr. (Mrs.) Madhuri Shah, the then Chairman, UGC to enquire into the working of the Central Universities. The Committee submitted its report to the UGC in November, 1983. Copies of the report were placed in the Parliament Library. The major recommendations of the Committee include the following:

(i) Central Universities should have an All India character to be reflected in admissions, appointments and the nature of their courses and programmes.

(ii) A common entrance examination should be held for admission to Central Universities.

(iii) Steps should be taken to enforce greater discipline in Central Universities and establish appropriate mechanism for redressal of grievances of students and staff.

(iv) Steps should be taken to establish a National University of Distance Education

(v) The Students' Union in their present form should have no place in the University system.

(vi) The provision for a Court in Central Universities should be deleted and the Executive Council should be a compact and homogeneous body.

(vii) Each Central University should have a Planning Board of planning and monitoring its development

(viii) The Acts of Central Universities should provide for a Council of Central Universities for determining terms and conductions of service of employees, coordinating academic programmes and planning development etc.

(ix) Representation of the University Community on the authorities of the University should not be on the basis of elections.

(b) and (c). The Commission generally accepted the report of the Committee and circulated it to all Central Universities, State Governments and State Universities for appropriate action, some of the recommen-